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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor : Danny L. Hopkins

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Title : Apparatus and Method for Cleaning, Neutralizing and

Recirculating Exhaust Air in a Confined Environment

Group Art Unit : 1764 Confirmation No. : 7183

Examiner : Duong, Thanh P

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FIRST SUBSTANTIVE OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 18, 2006, and in consideration of an accompanying Petition for One Month Extension of Time and the fee therefor, please amend the application as set forth below, as discussed in the following 3 Parts of this Amendment and Response.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification as described and shown in Part 1.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 4 and 7.

Amend claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 8-10, 12, 13, 17, 20 and 22.

Add new claims 23-40.

A listing of the new claims and to the amended claims with markings to indicate changes, are presented in Part 2.

REMARKS:

Comments on the amendments, the new claims and the May 18 Office Action are presented in Part 2.

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